

**Siren Test Scheduled At 10 Friday Morning**

Warning sirens throughout the Los Angeles area will sound tomorrow morning at 10 in the regular monthly test, according to Henry S. Eaton, coordinator, Region 1, California Disaster Office.

Sirens of both Los Angeles City and Los Angeles County, along with warning systems of most other cities within the region will be heard in this check of the mechanical effectiveness of the system.

**Mother's Club Meet**

The Junipero Serra Mother's Club will meet at the school cafeteria next Monday, Feb. 25, beginning at 8 p.m.

**Articles by Jones Appear In Magazine**

Two articles by Edward H. Jones, English instructor at El Camino College, are featured in the current issue of Literary Journal.

Studying at the University of Southern California, where he received his bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees in literature, Jones is now undertaking the writing of several short stories which he hopes to have published soon. He is teaching in the English department during his first year at El Camino.

**David Scholl Named To Phi Beta Kappa**

David William Scholl, 815 Beech Ave., was named to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic society, according to Dr. Constance Lovely, president of the University of Southern California chapter.

The group of 13 men and women will be initiated today at a 3 p.m. ceremony on campus.

Jones enjoys writing book reviews, stating "It keeps me up with the modern writing and forces me to appraise and judge current works."

The El Camino instructor was also the author of an article entitled "Fishing" which appeared in Outdoors Magazine.

**'ROUND THE RIVIERA**

**Columnist Continues Drive to Have City's Voters Name Mayor**

You almost lost your mayor last week.

Mayor Al Isen viewed some of his thoughts concerning the proposed new park in the heart of Torrance and his remarks did not sit too well with a councilman or two. Nick Drale jumped in with the threat to call for a division of the house and subsequent removal of Isen as chairman of the council and mayor. The removal threat was not carried out this time. It serves, however, as an excellent illustration of what we've been saying: you can lose your mayor any old week the council decides to play political "mus-

cal chairs."

This Gilbert and Sullivan type of city government might be laughable if it weren't for its seriousness. For, after all, these officials affect your life with their decisions: taxes, schools, improvements and every other sort of civic affair are shadowed by what they think and do. Why have a mayor at all if he can't hold his own opinions, speak his mind and act as the city's chief official? Our present system of councilmanic appointment demands he play footsie or lose his position as mayor. Let's change the charter and elect a mayor like grown-up cities do. With 85,000 population, we're grown up too; it's time we changed from dispersal to a man's long pants.

Incidentally, we were pleased to receive a clipping from another Torrance paper last Thursday, wherein they follow our lead in calling for electing a mayor. We thank them for endorsing our thoughts on this subject which we have been espousing for several weeks now. This is a job that needs to be done and every little bit helps.

**PORTRAIT OF A RIVIERA MADCAP:** She was a vision of gay, lighthearted loveliness. Above the red party dress carefully designed to complement her fair, blonde beauty, her blue eyes sparkled with mischievous intent and the love of a good time.

As I watched her in her bold, flirtatious partying, it was obvious that she was born to dancing and laughter. Some of her ways might scandalize the neighborhood, I knew, and many of her acts would scarcely benefit other women of Riviera. Yet I knew also that in her, everyone watching approved and joined in her enjoyment.

I had watched her carefully, not one drop of refreshment had passed her lips, yet she acted high as a kite. We knew the reason, the whole neighborhood did, and we were all happier for it. For it was her first party; her first time to be hostess.

She was my daughter, Marianne, and today, Sunday, Feb. 17, she was three years old. Happy birthday, little doll!

One of Cub Scouting's major events, the father-and-son dinner, was a recent pleasure of Riviera's Pack 877. Held on Feb. 10, at Riviera School cafeteria, the event saw some 85

fathers, sons and honored guests in attendance.

After invocation by Rev. T. D. Dillard of Riviera Methodist Church, the Cubs heard a stirring address on scouting by Roland Gagon, guest speaker. Howard Langpap followed on the speaker's rostrum.

Highlight of the affair was the giving of awards, capped by the presentation of a three year service pin to Cubmaster George Stefan, 419 Via Mesa Grande. Cub Scouts receiving awards included Steven Libbes, Tommy Brian, Paul Bonney, Greg Reddicks, Jack Norman, Paul Geisel, John Langpap, Ricky Gilbert, Greg Emberson, Bill Snyder, Jim Cooley, Larry Wolbers, Keith Stefan, Geoffrey MacAuliffe, Randy Stiner, Don Van Valkenberg, Richard Paulin, Philip DiFato, Ronny Ottobre, and Tony Schillmoller.

The spaghetti and meatball dinner, complete with lasagne and garlic bread, was prepared by the six den mothers of Pack 877. They include Mmes. Jack Ward, R. A. DiFato, L. C. Marsh, Alfred Thompson, J. W. Everhart and J. R. Paulin. Pack committeemen introduced at the dinner included Iver Christensen, general chairman; James R. Paulin, awards chairman; James Cooley, treasurer; and Norman Kuska, secretary.

Interesting note from the last meeting of the newly formed Palos Verdes Riviera Homeowners meeting. They voted unanimously not to take up the matter of the iron barricades erected by Palos Verdes Estates to keep Hollywood Riviera quarantined and isolated from their hallowed grounds.

Lots of our new neighbors in Palos Verdes Riviera detest iron barricades as much as we do, but after reviewing the dismal history behind these local abominations, they decided it was futile to try for removal of them.

Their original idea was to attempt to open just one street, probably Via Colusa, to allow passage for doctors and other emergencies. Sometimes a few minutes mean the difference between life and death. We still say such things as iron barricades in the streets are un-American, but we don't blame Palos Verdes Riviera for their decision.

The blame lies with Palos Verdes Estates; they just don't seem to care about doctors' needs, fire, disaster or anything as long as the barricades block those streets.

We picked up a rumble last week of local teenagers smoking marijuana. Just a couple of them but that's two too many. If any of you have heard of more, how's about letting us

know? Call us or the editor; he'll pass the info along. The time to stop this stuff is before it gets even the remotest chance. We hope what we heard was not one of those things like an iceberg where only a little bit is showing.

The monthly board meeting of the Newton PTA was held Thursday, Feb. 14, at the home of Mrs. C. A. Fisher, 156 Via la Circula. Presiding was president, Mrs. Henry Graef.

Mrs. Robert Herrick, Founders' Day chairman, presented her final plans for the "Parade of Memories" show which will be presented at the general meeting this evening at the school cafeteria. Tentative plans for Newton PTA's next big event, the Father-Son, Father-Daughter Day, which will be staged March 2, at the school, were presented by Mrs. John Holmes. At tonight's general meeting, a nominating committee will be formed to select a group of members for the coming election of officers. After the Founders' Day skit, Judge Otto Willet will present an honorary life membership.

Following the meeting, Mrs. Fischer served individual cakes shaped like hearts and decorated in Valentine colors with individual names inscribed atop each cake.

Mrs. Ernest Russell, 213 Calle de Madrid, is recovering from the shock of a severe cut of her third finger on the left hand. Six stitches were required to set the finger right again. She dropped a pyrex bowl, made a grab for it just as it hit the floor.

Mrs. Adolph Noeth, 243 Via El Chico, district chairman for the Hollywood Riviera Girl Scouts, announced this week that the second annual Girl Scout Sing will be performed tomorrow at 10 a.m., at El Retire Park.

Some 200 Girl Scouts will participate in the sing, which Mrs. Noeth estimates will last until noon. All Girl Scout units in Riviera will be in the staging which will be under the direction of Mrs. C. A. Pulliam.

Heading the refreshment committee for the affair is Mrs. J. D. Smille, with Mrs. H. L. Coleman assisting her. The Mariners, under the direction of Mrs. Jack Satterlee, Skipper, will serve.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walter, 212 Calle de Madrid, on Dec. 17, at Kaiser Hospital, in Los Angeles, was a 7 lb., 13 oz. boy, whom they have named James Brian. He joins sister, Daya Walter, at the Calle de Madrid home.

Maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Camille Hinque of Harbor Hills, and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Walter of San Pedro, welcomed the addition into the world.

The Walter family could almost qualify for our New Neighbor department, having moved into Riviera last April from San Pedro.

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